

ABSTRACT

Disclosed herein are oxygen scavenging compositions and packaging articles that comprise (a) a metal catalyzed oxidizable compound and (b) at least one of a transition metal carboxylate, wherein the transition metal carboxylate comprises at least one
5 carboxylate group and wherein each carboxylate group comprises between 20 and 30 carbon atoms, inclusive, such as cobalt behenate or cobalt arachidate.